



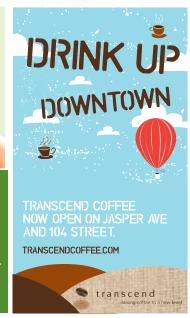


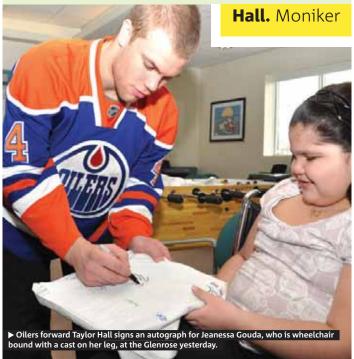
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Oilers cheer on fans in hospitals

Edmonton Oilers players visited several Edmonton-area hospitals yesterday, signing autographs for fans of all ages at the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Stollery Children's Hospital, Cross Cancer Institute, Grey Nuns Hospital, Misericordia Community Hospital and CapitcalCare Norwood.

NHL honchos reconsider

GMs urge stricter enforcement of rules to limit injuries {page 19}

Celebrity chef visits NAIT

Fusion cuisine star Susur Lee cooks with students {page 4}

Changes to school year floated

◆ Trustees may consider benefits to altering calendars in public schools ◆ Modified school year would see pre-Labour Day start and fall reading break

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may have their summer vacations cut short.

Edmonton Public Schools board trustee Ken Shipka plans to put forward a motion to look at offering a modified calendar in schools.

calendar in schools.

"Usually students start school in September and they don't really get a break until Christmas," said Shipka, who will base the motion, which he expects to make at the March 22 trustees' meeting, on stats he has found on Calgary public schools with adapted calen-

Under the proposed modified school year, classes would start before Labour Day with a week off near Remembrance Day.

According to a Calgary Board of Education report, parents, teachers and students polled at seven Calgary schools that piloted a modified school year in the late '90s preferred it.

"There was support before it started, and support increased materially," said Shipka, adding 20 schools in Calgary now have a modified class calendar.

Also called a year-round school year,

Modifications

- ► Elk Island and Edmonton Francophone districts have modified school calendars.
- The earliest any changes could be made are to the 2012-13 school year, as next year's calendar is already set.
- Approval of a modified calendar to the EPSB's traditional schedule would require a revision of the board policy that sets out criteria for school year calendars.

he said that term is a bit of a misnomer, as the shift is a matter of a few days in August, plus time off after the first report cards.

Shipka said other trustees seem open to the idea, but it will still have to go before the board and be voted on. Public consultation will also likely be part of the process.

"It seems other trustees are openminded, but whether it will pass muster, I don't know."

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Sherman hopes to helm Liberals



Independent MLA Rai Sherman said yesterday he will not cross the legislature floor before buying a Liberal membership and vying to seek leadership of that

Sherman said his pledge to remain independent is at the urging of constituents, while the pitch for the Liberal leadership comes from "unanimous" family advice.

"Let me make it perfectly clear: I will not be cross-

ing the floor, I will not be joining any other caucus before seeking re-election and putting the question to the people of Edmonton-Meadowlark," said Sher-

He said he chose to align himself with the Liberals after meeting with every party, adding he will only seek the top spot when the current Liberal leader, David Swann, steps down.

The ER doctor and ousted Tory junior health minister also took shots at the health-care system, claiming seniors, some of them his constituents, are "getting screwed."

Premier Ed Stelmach fired back yesterday, noting he hadn't "been able to sort out some of the things before that have been said by the member."

Sherman will join Edmonton-Centre MLA Laurie Blakeman in the Liberal leadership race.

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Council digs for LRT tunnel alternatives

\$300M, 14-block tunnel could help ease traffic on Stony Plain Road, report says • Tunnel would stretch from 142 Street to 156 Street

Instead of tunnelling underneath Stony Plain Road to relieve traffic congestion once the west LRT line eventually opens, city councillors are suggesting alternatives.

"It could be precedent setting and that's a big concern," said Coun. Kim Krushell.

A report released last week attempts to address the traffic issue, which is a concern to residents, business owners and council.

An alternative, said Krushell, is to relocate vehicle traffic to 107 Avenue from Stony Plain Road.

Not only is the price tag of the tunnel prohibitive, said Krushell, but underground construction is the reason the LRT hasn't already been expanded.

When both Calgary and Edmonton were given mon-

"I think there was a good reason for not proposing it to begin with."

COUN. BEN HENDERSON

ey, Calgary stuck with an above-ground system while Edmonton built mostly underground in the downtown core.

"In Calgary, it is more successful than ours has been," said Krushell. "As a result, we didn't get our LRT out to all those places."

Coun. Ben Henderson said building a tunnel could make the system less accessible, which defeats the

purpose.
"We're rethinking how people get in (to downtown) from the west end, he said.

A council committee will discuss the report next week. • HEATHER MCINTYRE





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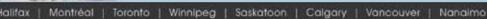
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CITY BUDGET

Keep snow jobs in-house: Report

Contracting out snowclearing jobs won't work, says a new city report.

The report, heading for council today, says the move wouldn't save any money and couldn't be arranged in time for

next winter.

Mayor Stephen Mandel requested last week that the city contract out more jobs rather than spend money on equipment.

New equipment would total \$8.4 million.

Currently, a mix is used for winter road maintenance. In fact, 40 per cent of the 2011 snow budget is for hired equipment.

Council is also being asked to consider parking bans.

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Group pushes for wage hike

The Alberta Federation of Labour is asking the province to raise minimum wage from \$8.80 to \$9.05. The current wage is the second-lowest in Canada, and leaves fulltime workers below the poverty line. Minister Thomas Lukaszuk is looking into the increase.

Ex-civil servant charged

Deborah McGean, 58, a former Alberta Finance Department employee, has been charged with theft, fraud and forging a document. McGean is accused of using fake doctor notes to defraud her employer for \$30,000 during May of 2006 and November of 2007.

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NAIT welcomes culinary superstar



Celebrity chef 'very excited' to cook with students this week

Culinary students are getting a taste of what a celebrity chef has to offer at NAIT this week.

Susur Lee is visiting as part of the Hokanson Chef in Residence program.

"We like to bring in a chef once a year," said Stanley Townsend, chair of the culinary arts program. "Somebody who has international recognition, usually of celebrity status, but most importantly someone who is a master of their trade."

Students describe Lee's visit as a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"Susur Lee is a lot more methodical," explained second-year student Jesse Rochon. "He's more professional, he owns restaurants, he's worked in restaurants for a long time."

The Lee file

Susur Lee is known for creating fusion cuisine.

- He has restaurants in Toronto, New York, Washington and Singapore.
- Food & Wine magazine named him among its 10 Chefs of the Millennium.

"He's helpful and personable," added Tianna Wawryko.

Lee said he hopes students leave the experience with an open mind.

"(Be) open-minded about different culture with food," he said. "Don't always think that only one kind of food is good, especially because we live in Canada, the most multicultural country in the world."



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Japan fights to avert a meltdown

▶ Plan to douse stricken nuclear reactors with water is called off when radiation levels force workers out ▶ Fires continue to threaten plant

Japan suspended operations to prevent a stricken nuclear plant from melting down today after a surge in radiation made it too dangerous for workers to remain at the facility.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Yukio Edano said work on dousing reactors with water was disrupted by the need to withdraw.

Earlier officials said 70 per cent of fuel rods at one of the six reactors at the plant were significantly damaged in the aftermath of Friday's calamitous earthquake and tsunami.

Officials said they would use helicopters and fire trucks to spray water in a desperate effort to prevent further radiation leaks and to cool down the reactors.

The nuclear crisis has

triggered international alarm and partly overshadowed the human tragedy caused by Friday's double disaster, which pulverized Japan's northeastern coastline, killing an estimated 10,000 people.

Authorities have tried frantically since last Friday's earthquake and tsunami to avert an environmental catastrophe at the Fukushima Dai-ichi complex in northeastern

There are six reactors at the plant, and three that were operating at the time have been rocked by explosions. The one still on fire was offline at the time of the magnitude-9.0 quake. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Good news amidst the rubble

Rescuers pulled a 70-yearold woman from her toppled home yesterday, four days after an earthquakespurred tsunami tossed the house off its foundation in Japan's northeast.

The rescues of Sai Abe and a younger man pulled from rubble elsewhere in the region were rare good news following Friday's disaster.

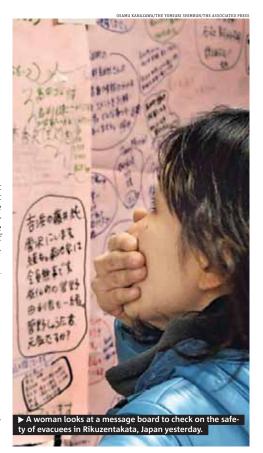
Abe's son said he had tried to save his mother but could not get her to flee her home in the port town of Otsuchi. His relief at her rescue, he said, was tempered by the fact that his father is still missing.

The woman was suffering from hypothermia and was sent to a hospital, but appeared to

have no life-threatening injuries, said a spokesman for Osaka fire department.

Conditions for those still alive in the rubble worsened as a cold front arrived yestserday, further pushing down temperatures. Snow is forecast over the next few days.

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World Vision

Japan devastated by quake and tsunami



World Vision needs your help to provide immediate humanitarian relief to the children and families of Japan.

On Friday, north-eastern Japan was struck by a 9.0 magnitude earthquake – one of the most powerful earthquakes in recorded history – triggering a powerful tsunami. Thousands have lost their lives and entire towns have been washed away.

Children urgently need your help.

More than 400,000 children and families have been displaced. Children are spending bitterly cold nights in the open without food or water.

World Vision is there.

At this moment, our staff is on the ground, working to ensure that relief gets to those who need it most. Additional disaster response experts are on their way to assist in assessing and responding to the most urgent needs.

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To rush emergency supplies to the children and families of Japan who desperately need help now, call **I 800 654-2650** or donate now at **worldvision.ca**.

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Gadhafi sees dramatic turn in his fortune

Surprise attack takes rebels by storm D His ruling regime returns in the west where it earlier crumbled

Moammar Gadhafi's forces struck the rebellion's heartland with airstrikes, missiles and artillery yesterday, trying for the first time to take back a city that serves as a crucial gateway for the band of fighters who threatened his four-decade hold on power.

Rebels rushed to the front and sent up two rickety airplanes to bomb gov-ernment ships, as mosques broadcast pleas for help

defending the city.

The pro-Gadhafi forces surprised rebels with attacks on two sides of the "They don't have the arms, but they have the will to fight."

LT.-COL. MOHAMMED SABER, AN ARMY OFFICER WHO DEFECTED TO THE UPRISING

city of Ajdabiya, and the opposition was outgunned as troops entered the city in tanks and personnel carriers. The assault on Ajdabiya

in the east came after Gadhafi forces took back the last rebel town west of Tripoli. With the victory in Zwara, a seaside town

about 50 kilometres from the Tunisian border, the regime has largely consolidated control in the west, where only weeks earlier Gadhafi's rule seemed to be crumbling.

Mohammed Saber, an army officer who defected to the uprising, and an activist confirmed the use of the warplanes against government ships, and the activist warned rebels would now use them to bomb "oil wells and oil sites.'

Gadhafi said he expects victory.
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BAHRAIN REVOLT

Military defends monarchy

Frenzied clashes swept Bahrain yesterday, a day after a Saudi-led military force entered the country to defend its Sunni monarchy from a Shiiteled protest movement. Hundreds of demonstrators were injured by shotgun blasts and clubs, a doctor said.

As the government's crackdown intensified,

the Bahraini king declared a three-month state of emergency yes-terday that gave his military chief wide authority to battle protesters demanding political reforms and equal rights for Shiites.

One demonstrator was shot in the head and killed, and a Saudi official said one of his country's soldiers was shot

dead by a protester. The force of more than 1,000 Saudi-led troops from several Gulf nations saw its first day of action to help prop up the regime in Bahrain. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Soldiers slain in Yemen

Anti-government tribesmen in northern Yemen stormed a security building and shot dead four soldiers in a revenge attack after government troops opened fire on opposition protesters calling for the president's ouster, witnesses said.

The attack was on Monday night in the town of al-Jawf, close to the border with Saudi Arabia.

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Two Canadians charged in terrorism probe

○ Former U of M students vanished on Pakistan tourist visas **○** Probe links Canadian to N.Y.C. subway bomb plot

Two former University of Manitoba students face terrorism charges in Canada after a four-year investigation linked one of them to plotters who wanted to bomb the New York subway.

RCMP say Canadian citizens Ferid Ahmed Imam, 30, and Maiwand Yar, 27, travelled to Pakistan in 2007 and never came home. While there, police say, the two were trained in the art of terror, including the use of guns, explosives, guerilla warfare and scouting. The goal was to join insurgents in Afghanistan. It's alleged that Imam even trained others for attacks.

American justice officials believe Imam helped three Americans who left Pakistan with orders from al-Qaida to become suicide bombers on U.S. soil — the inspiration behind the failed subway plot. That al-



legation was revealed yesterday in an indictment unsealed in federal court in Brooklyn.

in Brooklyn.
RCMP say they don't know where the two Canadians are.

"The investigation ... is still ongoing," RCMP Assistant Commissioner Bill Robinson said yesterday.

Robinson said yesterday.
Reports of the men's radicalization have been circulating for more than a year. Police said Yar was reported missing by his family in Winnipeg on March



10, 2007. Within five days, the missing-persons report evolved into a national security investigation dubbed Project Darken. Robinson said investigators believe the two men travelled to Peshawar, the northern frontier of Pakistan that borders Afghanistan.

Canada-wide warrants have been issued for their arrest and other police forces around the world are being notified.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Alt-budget focuses on work, not war

The Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives unveiled its annual "alternative federal budget" in Ottawa yesterday, a 38-page document that shows what fiscal policy may look like if Canada were governed from the left.

The think-tank would roll back corporate tax cuts, create two new tax brackets for high-income Canadians and cancel the F-35 fighter jet program.

It would also establish a

It would also establish a national carbon tax and a 28 per cent tax rate for the oil patch.

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Rolling back corporate tax cuts to 2007 levels — from the current 16.5 per cent to 21 — would raise \$13.7 bilion in revenue, the think-tank estimates.



HUNDREDS TRAPPED

ICEBREAKERS RESCUE SHIPS NEAR RUSSIA

Icebreakers have been called in to free dozens of ships that became trapped in ice in the Gulf of Finland near St. Petersburg last week.

The administration of St. Petersburg's port said at least 97 ships were still waiting for help yesterday, down from 160 ships two days ago.

The eastern Gulf of Finland has not seen such thick ice since 1992, according to the

Federal Agency of Sea and River Transport. In some places the ice is more than one metre thick.

Among the ships freed over the weekend was a ferry that had been stuck for six days with 12 people on board, including a pregnant woman. The ferry runs between a port near St. Petersburg and the Kaliningrad region.



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Beijing airport surges to No. 2

Beijing's airport trails only Atlanta's as the world's busiest thanks to booming demand in Asia, Airports Council International said yesterday. Chicago's O'Hare leapt to the third spot, while London Heathrow slipped to fourth.

The survey of 1,650 airports in 179 nations said world passenger traffic rose 6.3 per cent in 2010 and cargo traffic 15.2 per cent. Heathrow and Las Vegas were the only airports among the 30 largest hubs where traffic decreased. In North America, a slow economic recovery resulted in modest 2.4 per cent growth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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She conquered the runway, television and Harvard Business School. Now Tyra Banks has her sights set on the Internet with the launch of typeF.com, which offers personalized beauty and fashion advice.

Home prices up

A record number of multimillion-dollar home sales in Vancouver drove the national average home price up 8.8 per cent in February, the Canadian Real Estate Association says.

The average home price was \$365,192 last month. But when Vancouver is removed from the equation, the year-over-year increase in the national average price is 3.4 per cent, still stronger than in the past six months, CREA said.

The number of new listings was up 1.5 per cent in February, as higher demand and stable prices lured sellers into listing their homes

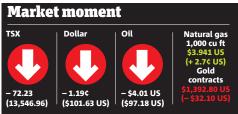
'Panic-buying' grips Japan

'Just about everything, except for super-hot chips, is gone': Tokyo resident • Hoarding could hinder emergency aid effort, officials say

Canned goods, batteries, bread and bottled water have vanished from store shelves as Japan grapples with a new risk set off by last week's earthquake, tsunami and ensuing nuclear crisis: Panic-buying.

Far outside the disaster zone, stores are running out of necessities, raising fears that hoarding may hurt the delivery of food aid to those who really need it.

The situation is hysterical," said Tomonao Matsuo, spokesman for Nissin Foods, which donated a



million items, including its Cup Noodles, for disaster relief. "People feel safer just by buying Cup Noodles.

Michiaki Tada, a 40-yearold Tokyo web programmer, was stunned to find the shelves bare at several stores. "It's like a joke. Cup noodles, rice balls, snacks - just about everything, except for super-hot chips

is gone," he said.

Even in the western city of Hiroshima, which was untouched by the disaster, stores are running out of batteries and people are being warned not to hoard, an official said.

The jitters spread to British Columbia where people were making a run on pharmacies, hoping to boost immunity to any radiation drift. Officials discouraged them from stockpiling potassium iodide, saying no health risks exist

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BEAR'S SUNSHINE DAYDREAM IS OVER



"What a long strange trip it's been."

Grateful Dead

ou might have missed it. If so, you're forgiven. Even if the Japanese earthquake wasn't the biggest story ever, you might have missed the death of Owsley Stanley in a car crash in Australia.

Owsley who?

Oh, just some guy who blew

the mind of a generation. The guy who brewed the purest LSD this side of a Swiss chemist's lab.

The LSD that the Beatles dropped during the making of the Magical Mystery Tour.

The King of LSD produced a half-kilo of pure LSD during his

career as the rock 'n' roll chemist. Doesn't sound like much, but that's five million doses. Enough to make "psychedelic" a household word.

Because he was also the sound engineer for the Grateful Dead, he was at ground zero of Woodstock Nation, his work immortalized in the lyrics of Jimi Hendrix and Steely Dan, to name just a couple. Thanks to Owsley Stanley,

more than a few sleek, grey stockbrokers, doctors, lawyers and politicians occasionally stop and stare at an interesting carpet pattern for longer than might seem absolutely

During the period around the Summer of Love — 1967 — Stanley was everywhere.

He designed the dancing bear logo for the Grateful Dead. In

fact, he was the dancing bear his nickname was Bear and he was a dancer. He was also the grandson of the governor of Kentucky.

He supplied the LSD for The Merry Pranksters Acid Test, which Tom Wolfe chronicled in The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test, and journalism, formerly the domain of serious guys in trench coats, was never the same.

Unlike most people who tripped out in the '60s, then got a real job, Stanley stayed out there. Way out there.

He moved to Australia because he thought the Northern Hemisphere was due for another Ice Åge. He ate only dairy products and meat, because he believed human beings were natural carnivores and viewed vegetables as toxic.

He died Sunday at 76 after los-

ing control of his car and sliding down a hillside near his home. It's hard to believe his adventures with LSD and the law once made international headlines, but it's hard to believe men don't let their hair grow long any more. They're lucky if they still have hair.

Owsley Stanley was the first hippie — and he was the last hippie. Woodstock Nation is now officially a thing of the past. Won't be long before the next generation thinks we made the whole thing up, like Atlantis

Meanwhile, the dancing bear is now among the grateful dead



Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

Cartoon





EU to test nuke plants

Worth mentioning

Shocked into action by Japan's atomic crisis, Éuropean energy officials agreed yesterday to apply stress tests on nuclear power plants and Germany moved to switch off seven aging reactors -

one of them permanently.
The European Union's energy chief called for a reassessment of the 27-nation bloc's energy policy, and questioned what role nuclear power should have in the future.

"We have to ask ourselves: Can we in Europe, within time, secure our energy needs without nuclear power plants?" EU energy commissioner Guenther

Reassessment



Oettinger told German ARD television.

Energy ministers, nuclear regulators and industry officials meeting in Brussels found "general agreement" on the need for tough tests to check whether the EU's 143 nuclear reactors could withstand earthquakes and other emergencies, Oettinger said.

The stress tests will be devised using the "strictest" nuclear standards in the bloc and be applied in the second half of the year, he said, adding that plants that fail the tests would have to shut down. He invited non-EU nations including Russia and Switzerland to join the initiative. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Metro Minute at humane society

The Edmonton Humane Society is hosting Wish Upon A Whisker Wednesdays, an adoption promotion aimed at finding older cats

Today, the society will also be launching a new sponsorship program. The EHS currently has 290 felines in its care, with many more kittens expected over the next few weeks.

In order to ensure that adults cats won't be forgotten during "kitten season," the EHS will waive the adoption fee of cats that have been with the society for more than 30 days, but only today from 2 to 7 p.m.

For more information on the event, contact the Edmonton Humane Socie-



scene

What's on the silver screen this spring

Here's Metro's look at what will make you laugh, love, cry and scream this spring



It's not just the weather that's warming up after a long, snowy winter - the cinema's getting a little hotter too.

Some of the year's best films arise in anticipation

While the action flares

up shortly after the spring

equinox with Zack Sny-

der's (Watchmen) Sucker

Punch (03/25), the hits

keep on coming in the form of sci-fi thriller

Source Code (04/01), the

creepy ghost story Insidi-

ous (04/01), the latest installment of the Fast and the Furious — Fast Five

(04/29) and the highly an-

ticipated return of another

blockbuster franchise -

But April balances the

Scream 4 (04/15).

APRIL SCREAMS FOR MORE

of summer's blockbuster

onslaught. With this year's crop involving everything from dramatic literary adaptations (Water for Elephants, April 22) to bizarre horror tales about telepathic tires (Rubber, April 8) springtime blooms with something for all.

lighter options as well.

Watch for animated family

fare like the Easter Bunny comedy Hop (04/01), the flightless bird feature Rio

(04/15) and the sequel Hoodwinked Too! (04/29).

Plus, April features funny

men like Russell Brand

Moore's iconic role in the

remake of Arthur (04/08),

bound & Down) goes me-dieval in Your Highness

(04/08) and Tyler Perry re-

visits Madea's Big Happy

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reinventing

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► The thrills and laughter carry on in Scream 4.

Scene in brief



Canada's newest reality singing competition will be judged by Vanilla Ice, Jann Arden and Simple Plan singer Pierre Bouvier.

The trio have been recruited to pass judgment on wannabe crooners on the upcoming Global TV series Canada Sings!

The reality show asks Canadians to form "workplace glee clubs" and battle for the charity of their choice.

The 12 singing teams are drawn from companies including Air Canada, Good Life Fitness, Hamilton Police, The Keg and the Toronto Fire Department.

Each week, two glee clubs will face-off in front of the judg-ing panel, which winning glee club at the end of the hour.



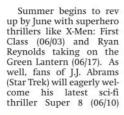
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Adventures continue in May as multiplexes are overrun by comic book fans when Marvel's longmaned superhero Thor (05/06) makes his cinematic debut. Meanwhile, buccaneer buffs will flood theatres once Pirates of Caribbean: Stranger Tides opens (05/20). However a week later, the tone will alter dramatically when The Hangover: Part II (05/27)

what damage shows Bradley Cooper and comcan produce in Bangkok.

Other anticipated hits include comedian Kristin Wiig having her own hangover moment Bridesmaids (05/13), Super Size Me director Morgan Spurlock's latest documentary The Greatest Movie Ever Sold (05/06) and the animated sequel Kung Fu Panda 05/26).

JUNE HEATS UP WITH CARS



OTHER NOTABLE

RELEASES

while Jim Carrey enthusiasts may catch Mr. Popper's Penguins (06/17). But box-office conundoubtedly biggest tender will be Cars 2 (06/24) — the sequel to Pixar's hugely successful 2006 animated family comedy.



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Jumping the Broom (05/06) Something Borrowed

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Breaking up was hard on Longoria

Still working through split from Tony Parker

The six months that have passed since Eva Longoria's split from Tony Parker haven't made things any easier on the Desperate Housewives

"Every time I talk about it, I want to cry," Longoria tells Allure magazine. "It's been hard. Very hard I'm kind of having to find new patterns because I'm not used to having - I'm used to always being on a plane and flying to a basketball game," she admits. METRO



Tasteless tweets: No more quacks

Gilbert Gottfried has lost a lucrative job voicing the Aflac duck mascot in commercials after posting in-sensitive jokes to Twitter in the aftermath of Japan's recent earthquake and tsunami, according to the Hollywood Reporter.

"Gilbert's recent com-ments about the crisis in Japan were lacking in humor and certainly do not represent the thoughts and feelings of anyone at Aflac, a company spokesman says. "There is no place for anything but compassion and concern during these difficult times." Aflac, which does about 75 per cent of its business in Japan, is set to launch a casting call for a new actor voice the METRO



Celebrity tweets



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"top of the arm" is called the SHOULDER!



japan unfolding and wonder if some of those cities will ever be rebuilt or if they will remain ghost towns.



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hard time sleeping tonight? (other than my selfish snor-



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Gibson a grandpa x 3

In the midst of his ongoing legal battle with ex-girlfriend Oksana Grigorieva. Mel Gibson has reason to celebrate. The actor has become a grandfather for the third time, as daughter Hannah recently gave birth to a son, according to People magazine.

The controversial actor and director "was overwhelmed with emotion," according to a friend. "He gets that way around babies. He was overioved."

Fatherhood for Ryan?

Ryan Phillippe may be getting set to be a father for the third time, as ex-girlfriend Alexis Knapp is reportedly pregnant and in her second trimester, according to People magazine. The pair dated last year before splitting in September. Sources close to Knapp insist Phillippe is the father, but it has yet to be confirmed. "Ryan is aware of the situation [and] totally prepared to take responsibility should the child be his," a source says.



Only good things to say about Ashlee: Ex Pete Wentz

Pete Wentz is opening up about his divorce from Ashlee Simpson, though he only has nice things to say about the mother of his two-year-old son.

"Ashlee's been my best friend for five years. She's the mother of my child. I

have nothing but love and respect for her," Wentz tells Ryan Seacrest in a radio interview. "I think that one of the things, the hardest thing, when you're a public profile (is) to maintain your private life, and you wanna do it

especially when there's a kid involved.'

Wentz is able to look on the bright side when it comes to media attention, though. "It's like the one time on Earth I'm like, "Thank God Charlie Sheen exists," he says. ● METRO

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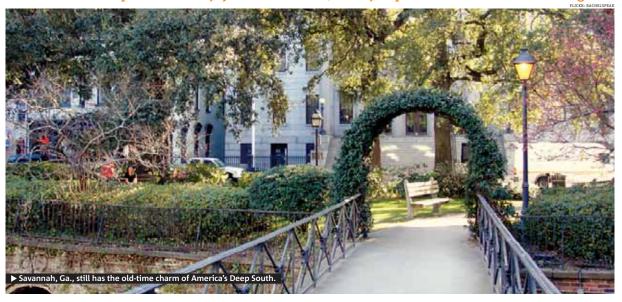


The travel site TripAdvisor has chosen Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg in the Smoky Mountain area as among the best U.S. family destinations to discover. Pigeon Forge was listed No. 4 and Gatlinburg No. 6. Williamsburg, Va., was No. 1.

Winners were based on recommendations from reviewers who travelled with family. The two Tennessee towns, between Interstate 40 and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park are lined with tourist-related at-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Savannah's

historical beauty

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See

Savannah is greater than the sum of her parts. There is no single gee-whizz attraction but everywhere you go you get a real feeling you've just walked into a Faulkner novel. Head for the historic waterfront, order a mint julep and enjoy the graciousness of the Savannah folk.

Hear

"Have a nice day y'all." Savannah is known as the "hostess city of the south" it was once a cheesy promotional slogan but it somehow stuck and within minutes of being here you'll realize why.

Eat

At the Olde Pink House. Built in 1771, with a pink stucco facade, this long-time favourite (and ex-Civil War HQ) is formal, yet the food is as deliciously Southern as it gets. Sautéed local shrimp with country ham and grits cake, crispy scored flounder with apricot sauce the menu is as long as it is delicious.

Drink

Mint juleps. It has to be. The classic mix of bourbon, sugar, water and spearmint is as southern as it gets. Ideally served on the porch of course but also available at great bars in the historic district like Churchills, the Six Pence pub, or 309 West.

Wear

Guys can do a lot worse than a classic linen suit, which is cool, practical and a big southern statement. Ladies might opt for ultra-feminine southern belle dresses. Oh, come on, it's fun. Either way, take decent shoes — some of the cobbled streets are a nightmare!

Look up

Much of Savannah's charm lies in the way she doesn't seem to have changed much since colonial times. The scenery, all grandiose

mansions and Spanish moss-covered oaks, and even civil war forts, reflect the city's importance (and prosperity) both then and now. Look a little closer and you'll also see a good time gal just below the prim and proper surface.

Don't: Go naked

St. Patrick's Day is a big deal here, with major (slightly drunken) parades. There is a bizarre tradition that encourages women (slightly drunken) to go topless. But in recent years the police (slightly drunken) have taken an increasingly dim view of this so maybe best to keep covered-up.

Say: Sir and ma'am

Courtesy and manners are a big big deal here. So don't forget them. A wellplaced please and thank vou can mean the difference between the best steak in the house and a mangy piece of yesterday's left-overs

For more information, check out savannahvisit.com. metro

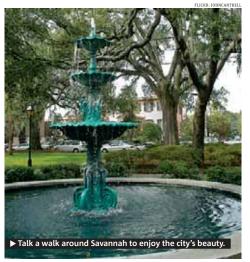
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Dieticians of Canada's latest cookbook spotlights the use of locally grown food in your kitchen

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always It's nice to cook with friends. Now,

imagine having friends across Cana-

da who are dietitians and want to help you eat healthfully and celebrate Nutrition month.

March spotlights locally grown food in Canada, and dietitians from across the country share their recipes

in the latest Dieticians of Canada cookbook, Cook! by Mary Sue Waisman.

The book is designed to lend a hand to families when it comes to preparing healthy meals and eating nutrient-rich foods from all four of Canada's food groups.

It also encourages families to make the effort to dine together.

"Research clearly shows it's worth the effort to eat together," says Waisman. "When families eat to-

gether, generally speaking, they eat better. Best of all, home-cooked food tastes very delicious!"

Cook! is full of recipes

and photos for meals like this Orange Ginger Beef.

Nova Scotia dietitian Jennifer Garus gives the Asian favourite a Canadian twist by throwing in locally grown cilantro and using a cut of Canadian beef.

For more information about Dietitians of Canada, check out dietitians.ca.

Orange Ginger Beef

Preparation: In a bowl, combine ginger, garlic, pepper, 1 tb-sp (15 mL) of the oil and hoisin sauce. Add beef and stir to coat well. Cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours.

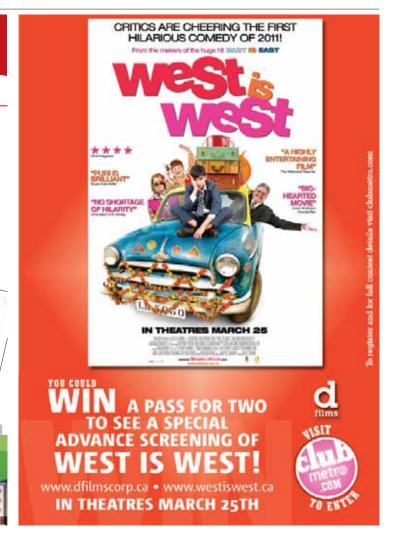
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) garlic • 1 tsp (5 mL) black pepper
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) canola oil
- 1 lb (500 g) beef eye of round, cut into strips (3 x 1/2 inch/7.5 x 1 cm)
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) cornstarch
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) orange
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) grated orange rind

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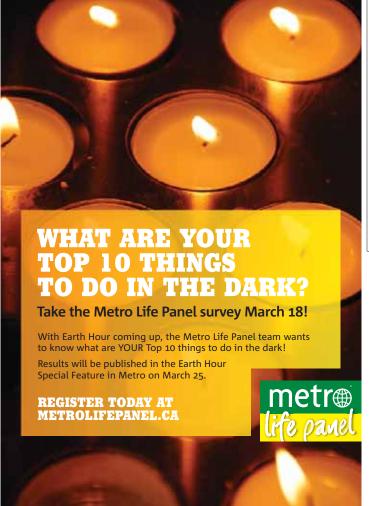




Enough with the nitpicking

• The boss who micromanages accomplishes little more than breeding irritation amongst fellow staff





you want something done right, you should do it vourself.

But as the boss, if you find yourself involved in every mundane chore in the office, teaching the accountants how to format a spreadsheet, reminding the cleaning staff how to knot a trash bag, you may become the micromanag-

Few workplace tyrants exact a more devastating toll on their company's morale. And the worse part, career counsellors say, is that your typical nitpicker-in-chief thinks they're being a mentor when they're truly being a tormentor.

"One of the conse-

quences of micromanaging is people feel they're being controlled," New York-based executive guide Barbara Frankel says. "They start not being engaged in their jobs. They feel their ideas and knowledge have been dismissed."

Communication Coach Donna Flagg has a stronger way of putting it.

'People hate you," she says. "You're that boss that makes people say, 'I can't stand my job.' When un-derlying everything you do what you're saying is, 'I cant trust you to do anything right."

The symptoms of a workforce taxed by meddlesome management are easy to spot, she says. Do

your underlings avoid your eye contact? Or you?

If so, consider that seething resentment "a red flag and an opportunity to see what's going wrong,' she offers.

"You need to find out, is it you, and you're a control freak, and this person would do just fine if you left them alone, or do you have a problem employee who really can't get out of who reany can't get out of bed in the morning," she explains. "Pull back and see what happens." Meanwhile, "set up

more regular communication," Frankel advises.

Boss's paranoia drives many a manager to dominate their workers.

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For most people, completing secondary school has become a basic requirement to be able to live satisfying and productive lives.

Much has been learned about the factors that keep young people on track to successful high school graduation.

The most important single factor is students' feeling of connection to the school and in particular, the belief by every student that there is at least one adult in the school who knows and cares about them.

Schools can do many things to promote this, such as assigning teacher advisors, and taking action early when a student shows signs of being in difficulty, both personally and academically.

Schools can reach out to struggling students to offer extra support; sometimes only a small amount of such support is enough to make a big difference.

Also important is an engaging curriculum and effective teaching practices.

Many students do not find their lessons intellec-



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of work they do, opportunities to improve their work, and teaching that pays attention to their background knowledge and interests.

The fourth key factor is a respectful environment, where staff and students treat one another with consideration and thoughtfulness, where students have a voice in how the school operates,

and where rules show consideration for students' individual needs and circumstances.

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WHEN TEXTING GOES TOO FAR

Workplace Law

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ffice romance is a tricky business. For Zbigniew Augustynowicz the Garden of Eden simply had too many forbidden fruits.

As the owner of Metro Aluminum Products, an aluminum manufacturer in Surrey, B.C., Augustynowicz confused a failed office romance with sexual harassment.

When he did, it became the recipe for a workplace disaster.

Augustynowicz met Lisa McIntosh when she started working for his company as a driver.

Two weeks later, he asked her out for a drink after work. McIntosh agreed, and they chatted about work and family.

Augustynowicz claimed he was no longer married. Soon they started dating and exchanging text messages at work.

Having later learned that Augustynowicz was still married, McIntosh tried to end the relationship. Augustynowicz did not

Augustynowicz did not take this news well. He continued to send her provocative text messages, repeatedly calling her a "bitch" and propositioning her for sex.

McIntosh told Augustynowicz to stop texting her and tried to ignore him.

However, Augustynowicz was persistent and his texts became progressively more offensive.

When McIntosh refused his entreaties, he asked if he could date her daughter instead and enquired if she had "any horny girl-friends." After McIntosh declined to rekindle the relationship, Augustynowicz texted her saying "the hell with u, I tried."

Finally, McIntosh threatened to contact the police.

On the verge of a breakdown, McIntosh went to a doctor and was granted eight to 12 weeks' off work for stress.

When she gave her doctor's note to the shop manager, he said he had no choice but to replace her and then "assumed" she quit. But McIntosh had not quit, so she complained to the Human Rights Tribunal.

At a recent trial, Augustynowicz attempted to justify his actions by arguing that McIntosh was both a "willing participant" and a "workplace flirt."

However, these arguments were swiftly dismissed by the tribunal, which found that McIntosh was sexually harassed when she insisted the texts come to an end.

The tribunal ordered Metro and Augustynowicz to pay significant damages for lost wages and mental distress.

It comes as no surprise that Metro and Augustynowicz's arguments were easily vanquished, especially at a left-leaning human rights tribunal.

The arguments that she was a "willing participant" and a "workplace flirt" represent excuses rather than valid legal defences, as the mere fact that an employee had a prior relationship with a boss will never be seen as a licence for unwelcome advances.



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Little Nina's ready for the net

• Parents of today are gearing their children up for the web as early as possible

It will likely be a few more years before her children will send out emails, instant messages and tweets, but Michelle Branco has already given them a head start in establishing their digital footprint.

She has set up Gmail ac-

counts for her six-year-old daughter and four-year-old son to ensure they'll be able to have email addresses bearing their names, which are increasingly difficult to

"When I mentioned that (I did that) to someone the other day they said, 'I had-n't even thought of that,'" said Branco, who runs the blog mamabear.ca, covering subjects such as breastfeeding, parenting and

After attending a recent panel on social media and the family, the Toronto mother decided to register domain names for her chil-

Many children already have an online presence early on from parents posting images or videos of their little ones on social media pages or sharing them with loved ones via email and digital photo albums. Yet by registering customized accounts, domain names and profiles in their names for future use, some tech-conscious parents are giving their kids a

digital jump-start.

An online survey for Internet security company AVG released last fall found 81 per cent of kids under the age of two currently have some kind of digital profile or footprint.

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Using travel as a teacher



When the annual thaw begins in earnest, thoughts of taking up a new hobby or planning a road trip begin to heat up for many Canadians. In fact, when asked to identify goals they would most like to pursue in the short term, 62 per cent of Canadians said they would like to travel, while 32 per cent said they were looking to take up a hobby, such as learning a new language.

A new class of Canadians identified in a recent Angus Reid survey commissioned by American Express Canada, is showing a preference for combining these two would-be Many goals. tourists now opt for vacation plans that immerse them more fully into the culture of a destination through art classes, volunteering abroad or work ex-

"Our research shows that a certain breed of Canadians, we've identified 'potentialists,' are focused on getting more out of life and realizing their personal potential in everything they do, particularly when they travel," said David Barnes, vice president of communications for American Express. "You're more likely to see this sort of traveller dropping into a cooking class at an out-of-the-way Paris bistro than touring the Eiffel Tower, for example."

As tastes for travel evolve around vou, ask vourself if you can inject some new life into your spring or summer vacation plans by looking for opportunities to get involved in the community while you travel. NEWS CANADA

GMs open-minded on curbing violence

• There will be baby steps rather than sweeping changes to NHL rules

Change is in the air at the highest levels of the NHL.

The general managers followed commissioner Gary Bettman's lead yesterday by announcing they'd like to see a tighter enforcement of rules on charging and boarding. The group stopped short of recommending a ban on all head hits — some-thing many fans have called for — but they've clearly decided to be more proactive in trying to reduce the number of concussions.

'It's hard to change the game on the fly, that is for sure," said Pittsburgh Penguins GM Ray Shero. "But I think there's certainly an appetite among the managers to have a safer environment, have the rules followed more aggressively, especially when it comes to boarding and charging ... (and) protecting a vulnerable player.

Everybody's open about these things and talking about them.

It's created a much dif-It's created a much dif-ferent atmosphere at these meetings than in years past. Confronted with a growing number of significant injuries and armed with data about what is causing them, the GMs seem to have had

Opinion

"I think it's a sense of let's take out the stuff that we can take out without taking out hitting ... It's integral to the game, it's distinctive to North American hockey." MAPLE LEAFS GM BRIAN BURKE

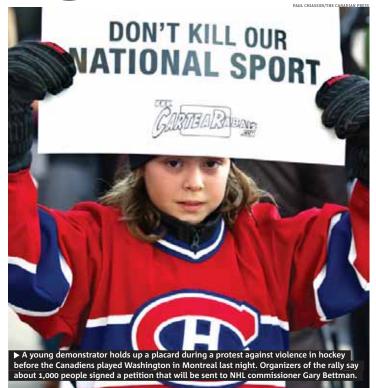
their eyes opened to the issue — and have shown a collective willingness to open their minds as well. In addition to the stricter penalties for

charging and boarding, the GMs are calling for longer suspensions in instances where there is an illegal head hit, particularly for repeat offenders.

After the meetings wrap up today, the competition committee will examine the official pro-posal drafted here. Ultimately, that group and the league's board of governors must grant approval.

It's a similar step to the one taken coming out of the lockout in 2005, when the league held a crackdown on hooking and holding infractions.

We want to apply the rules that are in the book more adamantly," said Ot-



tawa Senators GM Bryan Murray. "Head hits aren't all going to be penalized - some people outside the game want (that for)

any contact.

"We just wanted a stronger application of the rule that's there." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Player reaction

The initial reaction of the players was positve to news of the meetings, but many felt the physical aspect should stay while making hockey safer.

"As a player, you appreciate their concern is to keep us safe. If they've got doctors and medical people telling them this is the way you have to do it, then that's what you have to do," said Phoenix Coyotes captain Shane Doan

sports

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"Sometimes when the public gets so focused on something like that, it improves the climate for change."

BRENDAN SHANAHAN, NHL VICE-PRESIDENT OF HOCKEY AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS ON HOW PUBLIC OUTCRY HAS AFFECTED THE GMS'

"This meeting was happening with or without the Chara hit. We didn't just drum up 15 years of evidence and data over the last seven days."



One of the most revered issues of

the year for The Hockey News, Fu-

ture Watch, is hitting newsstands

OILERS HAVE EVEN MORE IN PIPELINF

Hall, Sam Gagner, Jordan Eber-le and Magnus Paajarvi are considered graduates. That leaves defenceman Jeff Petry — himself a bit of a bubble player thanks to his contributions to the big club this season - as the top Edmonton prospect. Along with his great size (six foot three, 196 pounds), Petry boasts sound mobility for his frame while making smart plays and great first passes out of the zone. With the Edmonton defence banged up a little right now, Petry is once again up with the squad and will get an opportunity to show his stuff from here on out.

Coming in second is centre Tyler Pitlick of the Medicine Hat Tigers. The

for his leadership skills, even though he's still a teenager. His faceoff acumen is also well established and for fans of the Oilers, it's been quite obvious the big squad could use help in that department as soon as possible. Lander's two-way game will serve him well amongst a group more known for offensive flair once Edmonton's youth brigade has entirely assembled. There are seven more Oilers prospects to find in Future Watch but you'll have to pick up the issue to reveal them.



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| Atlanta | 70 | 29 | 29 | 5 | 7 | 196 | 226 | 70 | 14-14-2-5 | 15-15-3-2 | 4-4-1-1 | L: |
| Florida | 70 | 28 | 33 | 5 | 4 | 175 | 194 | 65 | 14-15-5-3 | 14-18-0-1 | 3-5-2-0 | L: |
| NY Islanders | 71 | 27 | 33 | 6 | 5 | 197 | 226 | 65 | 16-15-1-4 | 11-18-5-1 | 4-2-3-1 | L |
| Ottawa | 70 | 25 | 36 | 5 | 4 | 158 | 220 | 59 | 11-19-2-3 | 14-17-3-1 | 5-5-0-0 | L |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

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| d-Vancouver | 71 | 46 | 16 | 4 | 5 | 233 | 167 | 101 | 24-7-1-4 | 22-9-3-1 | 8-2-0-0 | W6 |
| d-Detroit | 69 | 41 | 20 | 5 | 3 | 227 | 199 | 90 | 18-11-3-2 | 23-9-2-1 | 4-4-1-1 | W2 |
| d-San Jose | 71 | 40 | 23 | 4 | 4 | 203 | 186 | 88 | 18-11-2-3 | 22-12-2-1 | 5-3-0-2 | W1 |
| Los Angeles | 70 | 40 | 25 | 3 | 2 | 196 | 170 | 85 | 20-11-2-0 | 20-14-1-2 | 7-2-1-0 | W4 |
| Phoenix | 71 | 37 | 23 | 7 | 4 | 206 | 203 | 85 | 17-11-4-2 | 20-12-3-2 | 4-4-1-1 | W3 |
| Chicago | 70 | 38 | 24 | 3 | 5 | 232 | 197 | 84 | 22-14-0-0 | 16-10-4-4 | 7-1-1-1 | W1 |
| Dallas | 70 | 37 | 25 | 3 | 5 | 196 | 199 | 82 | 19-11-2-4 | 18-14-1-1 | 5-3-2-0 | L2 |
| Calgary | 72 | 36 | 27 | 3 | 6 | 217 | 207 | 81 | 21-12-1-3 | 15-15-2-3 | 5-4-0-1 | L3 |
| Nashville | 70 | 35 | 25 | 6 | 4 | 179 | 165 | 80 | 17-8-4-3 | 18-18-1-1 | 4-4-1-1 | L1 |
| Anaheim | 69 | 37 | 27 | 3 | 2 | 195 | 202 | 79 | 21-12-1-1 | 16-15-2-1 | 5-4-1-0 | L1 |
| Minnesota | 70 | 35 | 28 | 2 | 5 | 178 | 188 | 77 | 17-13-1-3 | 18-15-1-2 | 3-6-1-0 | L3 |
| Columbus | 69 | 32 | 27 | 4 | 6 | 190 | 209 | 74 | 16-14-1-3 | 16-13-3-3 | 2-4-1-3 | L1 |
| St. Louis | 69 | 31 | 29 | 4 | 5 | 193 | 207 | 71 | 20-12-1-3 | 11-17-3-2 | 4-6-0-0 | L1 |
| Colorado | 68 | 26 | 34 | 7 | 1 | 191 | 239 | 60 | 14-17-4-0 | 12-17-3-1 | 1-8-0-1 | L8 |
| Edmonton | 70 | 23 | 38 | 2 | 7 | 172 | 231 | 55 | 12-19-1-3 | 11-19-2-3 | 4-5-1-0 | L4 |
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GP W L OTL SL GF GA Pts

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results Pittsburgh 5 Ottawa 1 Washington 4 Montreal 2 Phoenix 4 Calgary 3 Carolina 1 Ruffalo 0 Carolina 1 Buffalo 0
New Jersey 4 Atlanta 2
N.Y. Rangers 6 N.Y. Islanders 3
Boston 3 Columbus 2 (SO)
Philadelphia 3 Florida 2
Los Angeles 4 Nashville 2
San Jose 6 Dallas 3
Monday's results Monday's results Tampa Bay 6 Toronto 2 Chicago 6 San Jose 3 Vancouver 4 Minnesota 2

Toronto at Carolina, 7 p.m. Washington at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Colorado at Vancouver, 10 p.m St. Louis at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

St. Louis at Anaheim, 10 p.m. Tomorrow's games Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7 p.m. Detroit at Columbus, 7 p.m. Tampa Bay at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. New Jersey at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m. Toronto at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Boston at Nashville, 8 p.m. Chizana zh Balla. 8:30 p.m.

Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Colorado at Calgary, 9 p.m. Phoenix at Edmonton, 9 p.m St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m. Minnesota at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

COYOTES 4. FLAMES 3

Tonight's games

All times Eastern

1. Phoenix, Stempniak 15 (Fidler, Pyatt) 8:25 Calgary, Jokinen 15 (Bourque, Kiprusoff) 18:02 Penalty - Jokinen Cal (hooking) 13:32.

Second Period 3, Phoenix, Belanger 12 (Korpikoski, Doan) 6:11 Penalties — Klesla Phx (roughins), Bouma Cal (high-sticking) 7:25, Ebbett Phx (holding) 19:09. Third Period

Third Period
4. Phoenix, Yandle 11 (Vrbata, Ebbett) 1:53
5. Phoenix, Rozsival 5 (Fiddler) 2:12
6. Calgary, Backlund 9 (Giordano, Iginla) 3:09 (pp)
7. Calgary, Tanguay 19 (Bourque,
Bouwmeester) 9:28

Penalty — Korpikoski Phx (high-sticking) 3:04.

Shots Shots
Phoenix 11 6 8 -25
Calgary 8 11 8 -27
Goal - Phoenix: Bryzgalov (W,31-17-8); Cal-

gary: Kiprusoff (L,21-12-4). Power plays (goals-chances) — Phoenix: 0-1; Calgary: 1-2. Referees — Dennis LaRue, Stephen Walkom. Linesmen — Don Henderson, Brian Murphy. Att. — 19,289 (19,289) at Calgary.

PENGUINS 5, SENATORS 1

Pirst Period

1. Pittsburgh, Kennedy 16 (Martin, Kunitz) 9:14

Penalties — Smith Ott (goaltender interference) 1:55, Lovejoy Pgh (hooking) 13:45, Engelland Pgh, Neil Ott (fighting) 16:40, Greening Ott (interference) 19:19.

2. Pittsburgh, Staal 9 (Kennedy, Kunitz) 1:21

3. Ottawa, Shannon 7 (Foligno) 2:08 (pp) 4. Pittsburgh, Lovejoy 2 (Staal, Kunitz) 3:05 5. Pittsburgh, Cooke 12 (Jeffrey, Martin) 7:35 **Penalties** — Michalek Pgh (tripping) 2:02, Cooke Pgh (tripping) 10:25, Karlsson Ott (holding) 11:30, Smith Ott (high-sticking) 12:13. Third Period

6. Pittsburgh, Michalek 3 (Jeffrey, Kovalev) 8:47 Penalties — Engelland Pgh, Lessard Ott (mis-conduct) 14:10, Smith Ott (roughing) 15:03, Rupp Pgh (goaltender interference) 15:41.

Ottawa 6 3 13 - 22 Goal — Pittsburgh: Johnson (W.10-5-3); Ottawa: Anderson (1,19-19-3). Power plays (goals-chances) — Pittsburgh: 0-5; Ottawa: 1-4, Referees — Marz Joannette, Frederick L'Ecuyer. Linesmen — Brad Kovachik, Tim Nowak. Att. — 19,249 (19,153) at Ottawa.

CAPITALS 4, CANADIENS 2

1 Washington Johansson 10 (Wideman

1. Washington, Johansson 10 (Wideman, Holtby) 1:06 (pp) .
2. Montreal, Moen 5, 1:26 3. Washington, Laich 16 (Alzner, Carlson) 13:23 Penalties — Plekanec Mtl (hooking) 0:46, Bradley Wash, Mara Mtl (fighting) 1:48, Sturm Wash (holding) 10:20, Sloan Wash (hooking) 16:42, Hamrilik Mtl (interference) 13:00. Mara Mtl (deptergence) 13:17. 18:09, Mara Mtl (interference) 18:17.

Second Period 4. Montreal, Kostitsyn 17 (Eller, Subban) 3:28 Penalty - Moen Mtl (holding) 11:32.

Third Period

 Washington, Johansson 11 (Ovechkin) 6:43 6. Washington, Knuble 17 (Sturm) 16:53 (pp)

Penalties — Knuble Wash (hooking), Wisniewski Mtl (holding stick) 3:08, Sturm Wash (hooking) 14:42, Eller Mtl (interference) 15:00.

(hooking) 14:42, Eller Mtl (interference) 15:30.

Shots

Washington 16 17 8 —41.

Montreal 12 6 8 —26.

Goal — Washington: Holtby (W.9-2-2); Montreal: Price (L.33-23-6). Power plays (goals-chances) — Washington: 25. Montreal 0-3.

Reference — Dean Morton, Brad Watson. Linesmen — Greg Devorski, Jonny Murray. Att. — 21,273 (21,273) at Montreal.

MONDAY

CANUCKS 4, WILD 2

Last 10

First Period

1. Vancouver, Torres 14 (Malhotra, Hansen) 1:59

2. Vancouver, D.Sedin 38 (Samuelsson, H.Sedin) 8:28 (pp)

3. Vancouver, Kesler 35 (Samuelsson, Ehrhoff)

14:32 (pp)

Penalties — Stoner Minn (interference) 8:22,
Stoner Minn (cross-checking) 13:22. Second Period

4. Minnesota, Brunette 17 (M.Koivu, Stoner) 17:03 **Penalties** — Torres Vcr (hooking) 1:46, Kesler Vcr (hooking) 9:55, Malhotra Vcr (delay of ne) 10:27, Hansen Vcr (tripping) 12:22

game) 10:27, Hansen Vcr (tripping) 12:22.
Third Period
5. Minnesota, M.Koivu 16 (Brunette, Burns) 4:32
6. Vancouver, Kesler 36 (Malhotra, Erhoff)
19:56 (en)
Penalties — Lapierre Vcr (goaltender interfer-

ence) 14:27, Kesler Vcr (high-sticking) 17:50.

Shots Goal — Minnesota: Backstrom (L,21-18-4); Van-couver: Luongo (W,33-13-7). Power plays (goalschances) - Minnesota: 0-6; Vancouver: 2-2.

Referees — Eric Furlatt, Stephen Walkom. Linesmen — Brad Lazarowich, Vaughan Rody. Δtt. — 18.860 (18,860) at Vancouv

SCORING LEADERS

| | G | Α | PT |
|------------------------|---------|----|----|
| D.Sedin, Vcr | 38 | 52 | 90 |
| Stamkos, TB | 43 | 43 | 86 |
| H.Sedin, Vcr | 16 | 68 | 84 |
| St. Louis, TB | 26 | 57 | 83 |
| Perry, Ana | 36 | 39 | 75 |
| Ovechkin, Wash | 28 | 45 | 73 |
| Toews, Chi | 30 | 41 | 71 |
| Kopitar, LA | 24 | 46 | 70 |
| Zetterberg, Det | 18 | 51 | 69 |
| Sharp, Chi | 34 | 34 | 68 |
| Iginla, Cal | 30 | 37 | 67 |
| Crosby, Pgh | 32 | 34 | 66 |
| B.Richards, Dal | 25 | 40 | 65 |
| Kesler, Vcr | 36 | 28 | 64 |
| C.Giroux, Pha | 22 | 42 | 64 |
| E.Staal, Car | 29 | 34 | 63 |
| Eriksson, Dal | 23 | 40 | 63 |
| Selanne, Ana | 21 | 42 | 63 |
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EAST DIVISION

| | GP | W | L Pct. | GF | GΑ | GB | | |
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| Toronto | 11 | 9 | 2.818 | 132 | 101 | _ | | |
| Buffalo | 10 | 7 | 3 .700 | 110 | 93 | 11/2 | | |
| Boston | 11 | 6 | 5 .545 | 117 | 102 | 3 | | |
| Rochester | 10 | 5 | 5 .500 | 93 | 107 | 31/2 | | |
| Philadelphia | 11 | 4 | 7 .364 | 99 | 125 | 5 | | |

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| | GP | W | L Pct. | GF | GA | GB | | | | |
| Calgary | 10 | 7 | 3 .700 | 121 | 109 | _ | | | | |
| Minnesota | 9 | 5 | 4 .556 | 102 | 98 | 11/2 | | | | |
| Washington | 11 | 5 | 6 .455 | 146 | 135 | 21/2 | | | | |
| Edmonton | 10 | 2 | 8.200 | 103 | 128 | 5 | | | | |
| Colorado | 9 | 1 | 8.111 | 80 | 105 | 51/2 | | | | |
| WEEK 11 | | | | | | | | | | |

Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

AMFRICAN LEAGUE

| | W | L | Pct |
|-------------|----|----|------|
| Seattle | 10 | 4 | .714 |
| Cansas City | 11 | 6 | .647 |
| Detroit | 13 | 8 | .619 |
| Boston | 11 | 8 | .579 |
| Minnesota | 9 | 8 | .529 |
| Texas | 9 | 8 | .529 |
| Baltimore | 8 | 8 | .500 |
| os Angeles | 9 | 10 | .474 |
| Toronto | 8 | 9 | .471 |
| Tampa Bay | 7 | 9 | .438 |
| leveland | 7 | 9 | .438 |
| Chicago | 6 | 10 | .375 |
| Dakland | 7 | 12 | .368 |
| New York | 6 | 11 | .353 |
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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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|--------------------------|----|----|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | W | L | Pct | | | | | | |
| San Francisco | 14 | 5 | .737 | | | | | | |
| Colorado | 13 | 6 | .684 | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia | 13 | 7 | .650 | | | | | | |
| Atlanta | 11 | 6 | .647 | | | | | | |
| Milwaukee | 11 | 7 | .611 | | | | | | |
| Cincinnati | 10 | 7 | .588 | | | | | | |
| Washington | 10 | 7 | .588 | | | | | | |
| St. Louis | 9 | 7 | .563 | | | | | | |
| New York | 9 | 9 | .500 | | | | | | |
| San Diego | 8 | 9 | .471 | | | | | | |
| Chicago | 9 | 12 | .429 | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 8 | 11 | .421 | | | | | | |
| Houston | 7 | 14 | .333 | | | | | | |
| Florida | 5 | 12 | .294 | | | | | | |
| Los Angeles | 6 | 15 | .286 | | | | | | |
| Arizona | 5 | 15 | .250 | | | | | | |
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NOTE: Split-squad games count; games against non-major league teams do not. Yesterday's results Philadelphia 13, Toronto 7 Colorado 4 Chicago Cubs (ss) 2 St. Louis 4, Atlanta 0 Houston 14, Baltimore 8

Houston 14, Baltimore 8 Tampa Bay 11, Florida 2 LA. Angels 9 San Diego 6 Kansas City 4 Oblikand (ss) 3 Chicago Cubs (ss) 8 Oblikand (ss) 1 Boston 2, Detroit 1, 10 innings LA. Dodgers 7 Texas 6 Cleveland 9 Millwaukee 7 N.Y. Mets 5 Washington 2 San Francisco vs. Arizona

San Francisco vs. Arizona

Today's games Tampa vs. Florida at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m. Boston vs. Atl. at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m. St. Louis vs. Det. at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m. NYM vs. Minn. at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m. Toronto vs. Pitt. at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m. loronto vs. Pitt. at Bradenton, Ha., 120 p.m. Wash. vs. Hou. at Kissimmee, Fla., 120 p.m. San Fran. vs. CWS at Glendale, Ariz, 430 p.m. LAA vs. Ariz. at Scottsdale, Ariz, 4:10 p.m. Baltimore vs. NYY at Tampa, Fla., 7:05 p.m. Colorado vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 9:05 p.m. Milw. vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz, 1:0:05 p.m. KC vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.

CYCLING

TIRRENO-ADRIATICO

At San Renedetto del Tronto, Italy

At San Benedetto del Tronto, Italy Seventh and final stage 1. Fabian Cancellara, Switzerland, Leopard-Trek, 10 minutes 33 seconds; 2. Lars Boom, Netherlands, Rabobank, nine sconds behind; 3. Adriano Malori, Italy, Lampre, 0:19; 4. Rick Flens, Netherlands, Rabobank, 0:20; 5. Bert Grabsch, Germany, HTC-High Road, 0:22; 6. Marco Pinotti, Italy, HTC-High Road, 0:22; 6. Sebastien Rossaper, Relalium, Badioshark. Sebastien Rosseler, Belgium, Radioshack same time: 8. Nicolas Jonathan Castrovieio Spain, Euskaltel, 0:25: 9. Robert Gesink

Netherlands, Rabobank, 0:27; 10. Nick Nuyens, Belgium, Saxo Bank, 0:28.

Italy, Liquigas, 0:30

Overall Standings
(final after seven stages)

1. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC, 27 hours 37 minutes 37 seconds; 2. Robert Gesink, Netherlands, Rabobank, 11 seconds behind: 3. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, 0:15; 4. Ivan Basso, Italy, Liquigas, 0:24; 5. Vincenzo Nibali,

EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | VV | L | Pct | GB |
|--------------|------|----|------|-------|
| y-Chicago | 48 | 18 | .727 | _ |
| x-Boston | 47 | 18 | .723 | 1/2 |
| x-Miami | 46 | 21 | .687 | 21/2 |
| Orlando | 42 | 26 | .618 | 7 |
| Atlanta | 39 | 28 | .582 | 91/2 |
| New York | 34 | 32 | .515 | 14 |
| Philadelphia | 34 | 33 | .507 | 141/2 |
| Indiana | 29 | 38 | .433 | 191/2 |
| Charlotte | 28 | 38 | .424 | 20 |
| Milwaukee | 26 | 40 | .394 | 22 |
| Detroit | 23 | 44 | .343 | 251/2 |
| New Jersey | 22 | 43 | .338 | 251/2 |
| Toronto | 18 | 48 | .273 | 30 |
| Washington | 16 | 50 | .242 | 32 |
| Cleveland | 12 | 53 | .185 | 351/2 |
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| | W | L | Pct | GB | | | | |
| x-San Antonio | 54 | 13 | .806 | _ | | | | |
| Dallas | 47 | 19 | .712 | 61/2 | | | | |
| d-L.A. Lakers | 48 | 20 | .706 | 61/2 | | | | |
| d-Oklahoma City | 43 | 23 | .652 | 101/2 | | | | |
| Denver | 40 | 27 | .597 | 14 | | | | |
| New Orleans | 39 | 30 | .565 | 16 | | | | |
| Portland | 37 | 29 | .561 | 161/2 | | | | |
| Memphis | 37 | 31 | .544 | 171/2 | | | | |
| Utah | 35 | 33 | .515 | 191/2 | | | | |
| Phoenix | 33 | 32 | .508 | 20 | | | | |
| Houston | 34 | 34 | .500 | 201/2 | | | | |
| Golden State | 30 | 37 | .448 | 24 | | | | |
| L.A. Clippers | 26 | 42 | .382 | 281/2 | | | | |
| Minnesota | 17 | 51 | .250 | 371/2 | | | | |
| Sacramento | 16 | 49 | .246 | 37 | | | | |

d – division leader; x — clinched playoff berth; clinched division

Last night's results

Last night's results
Atlanta 110 Milwaukee 85
Indiana 119 New York 117
Chicago 98 Washington 79
Dallas at Portland
Monday's results
New Jersey 88 Boston 79
Oklahoma City 116 Washington 89
Memphis 105 L.A. Clippers 82
Denver 114 New Orleans 103
Miami 110 San Antonio 80
Houston 95 Phoenix 93
Utah 112 Philadelphia 107, OT
Sacramento 127 Golden State 119
L.A. Lakers 97 Orlando 84
Tonight's game

Tonight's games All times Eastern

Denver at Atlanta, 7 p.m. Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Toronto at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Milwaukee, 8 p.m. Phoenix at New Orleans, 8 p.m. Oklahoma City at Miami, 8 p.m Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m Minnesota at Utah, 9 p.m. Cleveland at Sacramento, 10 p.m. Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

CRICKET

WORLD CUP

GROUP A

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| | MP | W | Т | L | NR | Pt |
| x-New Zealand | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| x-Pakistan | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| x-Sri Lanka | 5 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| x-Australia | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| Zimbabwe | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Canada | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Kenya | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| GROUP B | | | | | | |
| | MAD | M | т | - 1 | MD | D+ |

| | MP | W | - 1 | L | NK | Pt |
|-----------------|--------|-----|-------|---------|----|----|
| x-South Africa | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
| India | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| West Indies | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Bangladesh | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| England | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| Ireland | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Netherlands | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| x — clinched be | rth in | qua | rter- | finals. | | |

Yesterday's result At Kolkata, India South Africa (272 for seven) def. Ireland (141,

all out) by 131 runs.

TENNIS

ATP-WTA BNP PARIBAS OPEN At Indian Wells, Calif. Yesterday's results

Men's Singles — Third Round Rvan Harrison, U.S., def. Milos Raonic,

Thornhill, Ont., 7-6 (7-1), 4-6, 6-4. Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, def. Juan Ignacio Chela (29), Argentina, 6-0, 6-2. Novak Djokovic (3), Serbia, def. Ernests Gulbis (31), Latvia, 6-0, 6-1.

Tomas Berdych (7), Czech Republic, def. Thomaz Bellucci (26), Brazil, 6-3, 6-2. Richard Gasquet (18), France, def. Jurgen Melzer (10), Austria, 6-1, 6-3. Stanislas Wawrinka (12), Switzerland, def. Marin Cilic (17), Croatia, 7-5, 6-3.
Viktor Troicki (16), Serbia, def. Michael Llodra

(24), France, 6-3, 6-3,

Men's Doubles — Second Round
Rohan Bopanna, India, and Aisam-ul-Haq Oureshi, Pakistan, def. Mahesh Bhupathi and

Leander Paes (3), India, 6-3, 6-4. Women's Singles — Fourth Round

Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Alisa Klevhanova (22) Russia 2-6 6-3 6-1 Shahar Peer (10), Israel, def. Francesca Schiavone (5), Italy, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (3). Marion Bartoli (15), France, def. Kim Cliisters (2), Belgium, 3-6, 3-1, (retired). Ana Ivanovic (19), Serbia, def. Jelena

Jankovic (6), Serbia, 6-4, 6-2, Yanina Wickmayer (23), Belgium, def. Do-minika Cibulkova (25), Slovakia, 7-5, 7-5.

Victoria Azarenka (8), Belarus, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (9), Poland, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3).

SOCCER

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Yesterday's results SECOND LEG

Bayern Munich (Germ.) 2 Inter Milan (Italy) 3 (aggregate 3-3; Inter advances on away goals) Manchester United (Eng.) 2 Marseille (Fran.) 1 (United advances on 2-1 aggregate)

ASIAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Group A Al-Gharafa (Qatar) 0 Al-Hilal (Saudi Arabia) 1 Foolad Sepahan (Iran) 5 Al-Jazira (UAE) 1 Group B

Al-Nassr (Saudi Arabia) 2 Esteghlal (Iran) 1 Group E Melbourne Victory (Australia) 1 Jeju United

Melbourne Victory (Australia) 1 Jeju United (South Korea) 2 Tianjin Teda (China) 2 Gamba Osaka (Japan) 1 **Group F** FC Seoul (South Korea) 3 Hangzhou Green-

own (China) 0

Nagoya Grampus (Japan) vs. Al-Ain (UAE) (ppd.) **ENGLAND**

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP Ipswich 0, Watford 3 Scunthorpe 0, Preston 3

MLS

Last night's result Los Angeles at Seattle FC Saturday's games All times Fastern

All times Eastern
Toronto FC at Vancouver FC, 6:30 p.m.
Columbus at D. C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle FC at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at FC Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Sporting KC, at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
Sporting KC, at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m. Real Salt Lake at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's game New England at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

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No powertrain upgrade

Unfortunately, there's no upgrade in the powertrain department for the new Jeep Compass model.

The base front-wheel-drive Compass comes with the usual 158-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder. A 172-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder is optional, but standard in 4x4 models. A five-speed manual transmission is standard with either engine, while a continuously variable unit (with no set gearing) is optional.

Cherokee-like

After viewing the new Compass head-on, you could be forgiven for confusing it with the stouter Grand Cherokee, which was brand new for the 2011 model year.

From the windshield forward, the Compass is a totally new rig and a very attractive one to boot. The vertical grille slots are adorned with tasteful chrome surrounds and the projector-style headlights literally reflect a more upscale image.

A Jeep for your situation

Those who don't plan on playing in the mud can roll with a front-wheel-drive Compass. But for coping with all-weather and bad-road scenarios, you'll need to order Freedom Drive I. With it, you can "lock up" all four wheels in synchronous drive mode for maximum traction.

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By comparison

Nissan Rogue

Base price: \$25,400 Junior-Murano looks and spacious interior makes this Nissan a good bet.



Ford Escape

Base price: \$21,450 Popular small ute offers I4 plus optional V6 and gas-electric hybrid power.



Hyundai Tucson

Base price: \$21,750 Classy looking, polished wagon is selling like hot cakes. Well done.



WHEELBASE MED



Compass is pointing in the right direction



The un-Jeep-est of Jeeps has suddenly found its way to becoming a more respectable member of Chrysler's family of offroaders.

Based on the Dodge Caliber platform, both the Compass and the similarly-sized Patriot arrived for the 2007 model year.

The Compass was mar-

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keted as a non-offroader and Jeep purists cried foul over this heritage-robbing travesty, perhaps forgetting that several decades ago Jeep produced the rearwheel-drive Jeepster designed strictly for on-road fun. Meanwhile, with the right gear, the Patriot could venture where the Compass dared not tread.

Following a lengthy delay, the 2011 Compass has finally found its bearings

Jeep Compass

What you should know about the 2011 Jeep Compass:

- ▶ Type: Four-door, front-/four-wheel-drive compact wagon.
- Engine (hp): 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (158); 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (172).
- Transmission: Five-speed manual; continuously variable (opt.).
- > Stats: L/100 km (city/hwy): 9.0/7.0 (2.0, MT).

and, to nearly everyone's surprise, now looks like a proper Jeep. More importantly, it also now matches the Patriot for off-road aptitude and attitude. hard core fanatics, but, honestly, they're not likely the intended target audience anyway. It's still not the Jeep-est of Jeeps, but this upgraded Compass is a good bet for

The changes bestowed

upon Jeep's cute ute likely won't be enough to satisfy

of Jeeps, but this upgraded Compass is a good bet for buyers seeking out a handsome, fuel-efficient and affordable machine that will take just about anything thrown at it.

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Saving gas doesn't mean you have to suffer with a lesser car



anada, we feel your pain and it doesn't just have to do with the price at the pumps: it's the car that goes along with trying to keep gas money in your pocket.

For years, driving a fuel-efficient vehicle was presumed to be solely a money issue. If you were concerned that the price of gas was eating you out of house and home when it was 40 cents a litre, then you probably wanted a cheap car, too — just the basics to keep the sticker price down.

Times change and with gas at \$1.20 a litre or more, fuel might be eating a lot more people out of house and home.

But hold the phone. Why do well-equipped vehicles — even luxury vehicles — have to be thirsty? Why can't we have all the amenities and technology we're used to, but without the wide-eyed look when the gas pump finally goes "click."

We seem to be gradually heading that way, but it means running with smaller and more fuel-efficient engines. That might seem like a contradiction since we've been conditioned to believe that

vehicle with the biggest and baddest engine always comes with the best features. It's an outmoded way of selling cars because it excludes a growing number of buyers who will spend the money to buy the vehicle they want, but just don't want to needlessly spend money on gas to propel it.

What does the number of cylinders have to do with your amenities? Nothing if you happen to be

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or Audi, German brands that have the fun-with-fourcylinders factor dialed in without skimping on the agoodies.

The front-wheel-drive

The front-wheel-drive VW (Passat) CC sedan appears to be a great refuge for buyers looking for a big step up in style and cachet without paying the price in fuel dollars.

The base engine for this style statement is a 200-horsepower turbocharged

four-cylinder with a rating of 10.0/6.6 l/100 km (city/highway). You'll get the usual assortment of power goodies plus air conditioning and access to a plethora of options. You won't be able to get all-wheel-drive with the four-cylinder, which is the exclusive domain of the optional V6, but you will have your choice of a six-speed manual transmission or six-speed automatic. The base price is about \$33.400.

The CC features roughly the same base



plant you'll find in the sharp Audi A4 sedan and several other products from the Audi/Volkswagen camp, including the snappy Audi A3 wagon.

Having to deal with high gas prices for many more years than North Americans means that German automakers have had a healthy headstart on efficiency. They have to, of course, when that gas costs the equivalent of about \$2 per litre.

Other vehicles that offer 4-cylinder engines include the Acura TSX and RDX, Mazda CX-7, Nissan Rogue and Buick Regal.

It might require a little searching, but you really can have your features and keep more gas money where it belongs: in your pocket.

The new role of turbocharging

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You're probably most familiar with turbocharging as a way of making a car go faster.

The premise is relatively simple: engines require large quantities of air in addition to gasoline, and if that air is under pressure, it increases the engine power. A turbocharger pressurizes the air when engine exhaust routed into it spins a turbine that in turn powers a compressor for better engine performance.

But these days, many

people are focusing more on gas prices than go-fast, and turbocharging is playing a new role. Many automakers are using it to get

more power out of smaller engines, such as with Ford's Eco-Boost technology.

"It leverages the fact that turbocharged engines provide tremendous power opportunity,

but it's using that to go to a smaller-displacement engine, which gives you substantial fuel economy," says Barb Samardzich, vicepresident of Ford's global product programs.

"It's like you're getting the next-size-up engine, so a V6 feels like a V8, and a

V8, and a (four-cylin-der) feels like a V6, so the customer's getting fantastic performance and bene-lits for the

fuel."
EcoBoost
also uses direct injection,
which adds pres-

surized fuel directly into the combustion chamber, rather than first mixing it with air in the inlet port. This also helps the system to run cooler.

"Turbocharged engines were typically seen as fuelthirsty" Samardzich says

thirsty," Samardzich says.
"It's because they ran
very hot and you'd have to
put in more fuel to cool it
off. With EcoBoost and direct injection, you can
keep that charge cooler."

Typical turbocharged engines of the past needed premium fuel, and the Eco-Boost will deliver a little more power on this more expensive grade, but regular 87-octane gasoline will work just fine.

Overall, Ford estimates that an EcoBoost engine will deliver up to 20 per cent better fuel economy and a 15 per cent reduction in CO2 emissions, while providing improved engine performance.



Of course, there's always room for a little performance fun, and when the all-new Focus is launched for 2012, you'll be able to get the Focus ST,

with a specially-tuned Eco-Boost 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that produces 247 horsepower — the first use of EcoBoost in a high-performance model.



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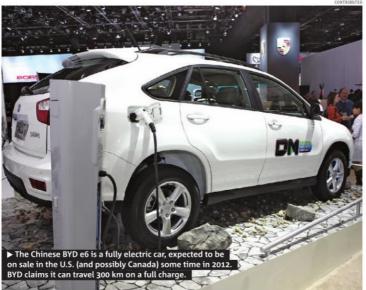
Ever wonder why your jeans, computer and hockey stick are made in China, but not your car? If you're thinking the answer is, "just wait," you might be right. But the wait will definitely be longer than most anticipate.

or one thing, China's automakers took a collective deep breath about a year ago, and decided to concentrate on domestic production and sales, which makes immanent sense really.

Why battle in mature North America and Europe markets, bursting with famous and over-achieving brand names, when your models have zero brand recognition there?

A Chang'an Alsvin anyone? And why go to a party across town, when the one happening in your own 'hood is the biggest and baddest one on the planet?

Two years ago, China surpassed the U.S. as the



world's largest singlecountry market. Over 18 million cars and light-duty trucks were sold in China in 2010, compared to about 11.6 million in the

A recent report suggests Chinese annual domestic sales will approach 40 million by 2020.

They already make more vehicles than anybody — about 16 million a year — and are poised to make much more in the near future, but they'll need pretty much all of it to satiate domestic demand.

According to auto analyst Michael Pistol, of TJAA Analytics (tjaa.ca), the only Chinese-built vehicles we're likely to see in North America and Europe will be those branded as Ford, VW, GM, etc., or possibly under a new "sub brand"

Big sellers

Top selling cars in China

1 BYD F3

2 Buick Excelle

Volkswagen Jetta

developed and sold by those automakers. These vehicles would be built by Chinese operations under contract, or by plants in China owned and operated by American, European, Japanese and Korean automakers (joint and otherwise).

"The Chinese automakers have no intention what so ever of coming into our market under their own brand names," noted Pistol.

But at least one Chinese automaker, BYD, has gone on record that it will sell vehicles in the U.S under its own label.

BYD, which stands for "Bring Your Dreams," is famous for having one very influential investor — Warren Buffet.

The BYD F3 is currently the top selling vehicle in China. But the first BYD vehicle to hit these shores is slated to be the all-electric BYD e6, shown at three consecutive Detroit auto shows.

As it stands, the e6 is supposed to be introduced to U.S. fleet operators in late 2011, and to the retail sector in the first quarter of 2012. But this marks about the third delay in its planned rollout, so don't hold your breath.

Top Gear

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Michigan-based CruiseCam International offers a line of products that was originally developed for law-enforcement agencies, although it offers a universal camcorder/video camera mount suitable for personal use that attaches to the twin-post adjustable head restraints on most popular vehicles. A good idea for recording scenes while on vacation, cruisecam.com.

Any weight removed from the vehicle means faster response. Fidanza's lightweight aluminum flywheels quite literally shave off kilograms from the engine's rotating assembly that includes the crankshaft, connecting rods, pistons and harmonic balancer located at the front. fidanza.com.

You'll see plenty of light-duty 12-volt portable refrigerators out there, but few are heavy-duty enough to actually keep the contents frozen in hot summer weather. The ARB 47-litre fridge/freezer (one of four sizes) draws just 1.35 amps per hour from your vehicle, which, the company claims, is less than the power it takes to run a single headlight. arbusa.com. WHEELBASE MEDIA



Drop-top season is approaching

► Last-gen Miata might be the market's most reliable fun-car buy

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The warm-weather season is fast approaching and this just might be your year to get into that zippy convertible for weekend getaways.

Are fun, affordability

Are fun, affordability and fuel economy key priorities in your upcoming used drop-top? If so, be sure to check out the last-generation Mazda MX-5 Miata.

The last generation of this popular two-seat roadster was available from 1999 to 2005 inclusive, and featured a lightweight body and four-cylinder engine for a pleasing combination of performance and fuel efficiency.

Thousands of owners enjoy the Miata's driving character, manoeuvrability, performance, economy and

What's the 4-1-1?

- Model: 1999 to 2005 Mazda Miata
- Vehicle Type: Two-seat convertible roadster
- Approximate used price range: \$6,500 to \$17,000

styling. Of course, trunk space is limited, and there's no rear seat. If these are issues for you, look for a bigger convertible like a Ford Mustang or Mitsubishi Eclipse.

Second-generation Miata's got a 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine with between 122 and 142 horsepower, depending on the year in question. All units were rear-wheel drive, and shifted by a five or six-speed manual gearbox. A four-speed automatic was also available.

GX or GS designations were given to basic and



mid-range models, while GT and Limited models topped out the model range. Look for features like antilock brakes, Bose audio, power accessories, leather seating and a CD-changer.

Note that a special highperformance Mazdaspeed MX-5 Miata was available as well with a 178-horsepower turbo engine. These models are fairly rare, and will cost more to fuel, maintain and insure — though they're a hoot to drive.

What Owners Like

Not surprisingly, MX-5 owners say they enjoy agile handling dynamics, fun-to-drive performance, and nearly instant access to that "fun in the sun" motoring experience their rides

are famous for.

Most report excellent shifter feel and fuel economy, too.

What Owners Hate

Larger drivers typically wish the MX-5 offered up more room for occupants and cargo, and some owners complain of a rough ride on some surfaces.

Common Issues

Inspect the convertible roof mechanism for smooth operation, checking closely for signs of rips or excessive wear

Does the roof or its storage area smell like mildew? If so, there may be a leak. A duct tape patch job is a bad sign, too.

You'll also want to check for signs of mildew, moisture or rust in the foot wells and under the carpeting in the trunk area. Have a look around the body for rust — especially under the rocker panels and on the bottom of the doors.

Under the hood, check for signs of oil leakage down the side of the block, which could indicate a bad gasket.

Finally, remember that sports cars are likely to have been driven hard—so check the condition of the clutch, brakes and tires before agreeing to purchase.

The Verdict

Find a good deal on a clean, used Miata, and you'll join a proud and happy community of thousands of loyal owners



Crossword

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Weekend's answer ▶

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A look at the weather

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Cheli After 27 years you still do it for me baby doll! LOVE YOUR AGING PUPPYDOG GINGY!

Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 Mercury in your sign links with Jupiter today, so what you have to do and what you want to do will happily coincide. The key is to approach your work in the right frame of mind.

¥ Taurus April 21-May 21 If you do things by the book today, you will get the rewards you deserve. If you cut corners or tell lies, your underhand methods will most likely rebound on you.

II Gemini May 22-June 21 Mercury, your ruler, joins forces with luck planet Jupiter today, making this an excellent time for creative endeavours and friendships. If you can link the two and work on something together, it'll be successful.

Gancer June 22-July 22 It

won't be long before you can be open about that project you have been working on in secret these past few weeks. Today though, there's still more vou can learn.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug.23 Some people see doom no matter which direction they turn, but you have a more positive outlook on life. The world reflects the mind set you choose to project. Think lucky and you'll be lucky. It's that simple

TV Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If you made a promise to somebody who occupies a position of power, you will be expected to keep it today. Don't think of trying to back out. You can't say one thing then do another.

O For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

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▶ Weekend's answer

 ← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Listen carefully to what other people tell you today because even if what they say is not entirely to your liking, there is wisdom in their words that you could use.

M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Your devotion to duty has not gone unnoticed and someone in authority will reward you handsomely before the end of the week. Not that you're doing it for money, of course.

→ Sagittarius

Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Even the smallest effort will yield wonderful results, thanks to Jupiter, your ruler, linking with mind planet Mercury in the most creative area of your chart. If you can think it, you can do it. If you do it, you'll taste success

り Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

You will get a huge amount of work done in a remarkably short amount of time, but you will get even more done if you use your leadership skills and get other people to help you.

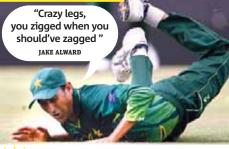
Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will be in demand socially over the next 24 hours but you will have to choose carefully among the many invitations that come your way. You've got an image to maintain.

H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 The most important thing today is that you control your feelings. If you let them get out of hand you may say something you later regret. Also, don't let money worries get the best of you. SALLY BROMPTON

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